

## NEWS RELEASE

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## Allwest Geoscience, Inc.

Santa Ana –ALLWEST GEOSCIENCE, INC. (Allwest), a California certified small disabled veteran owned business, with the assistance received from a U.S. Small Business Administration loan was able to expand its business operations by purchasing an 8,200 square foot building in Anaheim, California. Since Allwest was established in 1992, Eugene Farnsworth and John Gery had been renting facilities to operate their full service geotechnical/environmental engineering business. But in July 2002, with the purchase of this building the business was able to expand the marketing and materials testing divisions and hire four new employees.

Allwest, is a multi-disciplinary earth sciences firm specializing in geotechnical, environmental, soils and materials testing and land surveying services. With offices located in Orange, San Bernardino, Contra Costa and Santa Clara counties, Allwest provides specialized services to both private and public sector clients throughout California and the Southwestern United States.

Allwest is staffed with experienced professionals with diverse backgrounds in geotechnical engineering, geology, hydrogeology, surveying and environmental sciences. Their highly trained team of geotechnical and environmental specialists has strong working relationships with local, county, state and federal agencies that facilitate projects through the regulatory requirements from the planning stage through final completion. Allwest services are primarily geared toward companies working for the state of California. As a small certified disabled veteran owned business, Allwest has successfully completed hundreds of state and federal contracts that required DVBE participation.

Mr. Farnsworth is affiliated with the Disabled American Veteran Association, Greater Los Angeles Disabled Veteran Business Association, California Disabled Veteran Business Alliance, and the California Department of Veteran Affairs Advisory Council. Mr. Gery is affiliated with the American Society of Civil Engineers and the National Society of Professional Engineers.

Mr. Farnsworth and Mr. Gery will be recognized for their business success on October 30, 2003 at the Crowne Plaza Resort in Garden Grove by the U. S. Small Business Administration as part of the SBA's salute to Minority Enterprise Development.

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